

BEFORE THE WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE

IN RE: EMMANOUEL J. CORONEOS, M.D.

CONSENT ORDER

The West Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board") and, Emmanouel J. Coroneos, M.D., ("Dr. Coroneos") freely and voluntarily enter into the following Consent Order pursuant to West Virginia Code §30-3-1, et seq.:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Dr. Coroneos holds a license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of West Virginia, License No. 20507, issued originally in 2001, and his address of record with the Board is Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

2. In November, 2004, the Complaint Committee of the Board initiated a Complaint against Dr. Coroneos, based upon his answer in the affirmative to question number seven (7) on the Licensure Renewal Application to practice medicine in West Virginia for the period from July 1, 2004, to June 30, 2006. The question asks whether during the prior two (2) year period, July 1, 2002, to June 30, 2004, Dr. Coroneos "voluntarily resigned from any medical staff or voluntarily limited such staff privileges while under investigation by any health care institution or committee thereof or prior to any final decision by a hospital or health care facility's governing board."

3. On or about June 28, 2004, Dr. Coroneos submitted an "Adverse Action Report" from the National Practitioner's Data Bank ("Data Bank") to the Board.

4. The Adverse Action Report was reported by Allegheny General Hospital on or about March 15, 2004, and the type of adverse action reported related to clinical privileges and stated "voluntary surrender of clinical privileges while under, or to avoid, investigation relating to professional competence or conduct."

5. Allegheny General Hospital stated that the specific reason for the said action was that Dr. Coroneos had allegedly falsified a medical record.

6. On or about December 8, 2004, Dr. Coroneos responded to the Complaint by letter, in which he stated that he did voluntarily resign his medical privileges at Allegheny General Hospital. He admitted that he had made an error in writing a note prematurely in a dialysis patient's medical record prior to the dialysis, and unbeknownst to Dr. Coroneos another physician canceled the dialysis without consulting him. Dr. Coroneos later corrected the medical record to indicate that he had not seen the patient at that time.

7. On March 13, 2005, Dr. Coroneos appeared before the Complaint Committee for a full discussion of his actions in this matter.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Board has a mandate pursuant to West Virginia Code §30-3-1 to protect the public interest.

2. Probable cause exists to substantiate charges of disqualification from the practice of medicine pursuant to the provisions of West Virginia Code §30-3-14(c)(17) and 11 CSR 1A 12.1(e) and (j), relating to unprofessional and unethical conduct.

3. It is appropriate to waive the commencement of proceedings against Dr. Coroneos and to proceed without the filing of formal charges in a Complaint and Notice of Hearing as Dr. Coroneos has decided to accept the terms of this Consent Order.

CONSENT

EMMANOUEL J. CORONEOS, M.D., by affixing his signature hereon, agrees solely and exclusively for purposes of this agreement and the entry of the Order provided for and stated herein, and proceedings conducted in accordance with this Order, to the following:

1. Dr. Coroneos acknowledges that he is fully aware that, without his consent, here given, no permanent legal action may be taken against him except after a hearing held in accordance with West Virginia Code §30-3-14(h) and West Virginia Code §29A-5-1, et seq.;

2. Dr. Coroneos acknowledges that he has the following rights, among others: the right to a formal hearing before the West Virginia Board of Medicine, the right to reasonable notice of said hearing, the right to be represented by counsel at his own expense, and the right to cross-examine witnesses against him;

3. Dr. Coroneos waives all rights to such a hearing;

4. Dr. Coroneos consents to the entry of this Order relative to his practice of medicine and surgery in the State of West Virginia; and,

5. Dr. Coroneos understands that this Order is considered public information, and that matters contained herein may be reported, as required by law, to the National Practitioner Data Bank and the Healthcare Integrity and Protection Data Bank.

ORDER

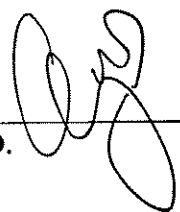
WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Board, and on the basis of the consent of Dr. Coroneos, the West Virginia Board of Medicine hereby **ORDERS** as follows:

1. Dr. Coroneos is **PUBLICLY REPRIMANDED** for writing a note in a patient's medical chart prior to actually treating said patient on the date at issue.

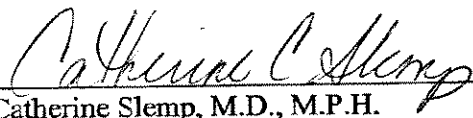
The foregoing "Consent Order" of, Emmanouel J. Coroneos, M.D.,
was:

Entered this 7th day of June, 2005.


WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE



Angelo N. Georges, M.D.
President



Catherine Slemp, M.D., M.P.H.
Secretary



Emmanouel J. Coroneos, M.D.

Date: 5/23/05

STATE OF Pennsylvania

COUNTY OF Allegheny

I, Beth M Garofalo, a Notary Public for said county and state do hereby certify that, Emmanouel J. Coroneos, M.D., whose name is signed on the previous page has this day acknowledged the same before me.

Given under my hand this 23rd day of May, 2005.

My commission expires October 24, 2006.

Beth M Garofalo
Notary Public

Notarial Seal
Beth M. Garofalo, Notary Public
City of Pittsburgh, Allegheny County
My Commission Expires Oct. 24, 2006
Member, Pennsylvania Association of Notaries